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Delivery System for a Stentless Valve Bioprosthesis

(Title of the Invention)

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In re the Application of:

**Inventor(s): Hosheng Tu and Rodolfo C. Quijano**

**Serial No.: 09/853,463**

**Filed: May 10, 2001**

**For: Delivery System for Stentless Valve  
Bioprosthesis**

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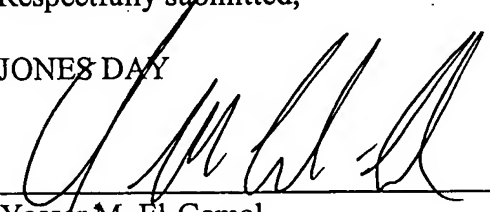
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**Delivery System for Stentless Valve Bioprosthesis  
by Hosheng Tu and Rodolfo C. Quijano**

the specification of which:

- ☐ is filed herewith, OR  
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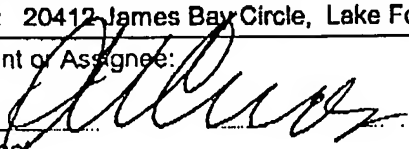
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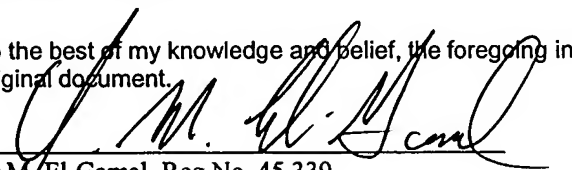
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To the best of the undersigned's knowledge and belief, title is in the assignee(s) identified above. Furthermore, the undersigned is empowered to sign this document on behalf of the assignee(s).

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Title of Declarant: President & Chief Executive Officer of 3f Therapeutics, Inc.	
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**ASSIGNMENT OF PATENT APPLICATION**

WHEREAS, WE, HOSHENG TU, a citizen of UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, currently residing at 15 Riez, Newport Beach, California 92657, and RODOLFO C. QUIJANO, a citizen of UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, currently residing at 27451 Lost Trail Lane, Laguna Hills, California 92653 , (hereinafter referred to as "ASSIGNORS"), have invented a certain invention entitled "DELIVERY SYSTEM FOR STENTLESS VALVE BIOPROSTHESIS" for which an application for Letters Patent of the United States of America has been filed on May 10, 2001 and was assigned U.S. Serial No. 09/853,463;

WHEREAS, **3f THERAPEUTICS, INC.**, a corporation organized and existing under and by virtue of the laws of the State of Delaware and having its place of business at **20412 James Bay Circle, Lake Forest, CA 92630** (hereinafter referred to as "ASSIGNEE"), is desirous of acquiring the exclusive right, title and interest in, to and under said invention and in, to and under any Patent or similar legal protection to be obtained therefor in the United States of America, its territorial possessions and in any and all countries foreign thereto.

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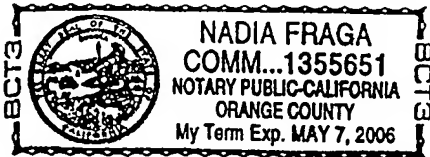
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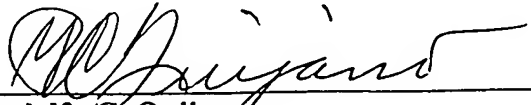


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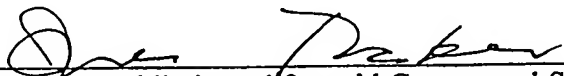
  
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